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IN THE MATTER OF) RENO, NEVADA 89502

JAMES OVERLAND, JR. D.C.) CASE NO. 06-18

LICENSE NO.: B526) 06-19
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Respondent.) AGREED SETTLEMENT OF DISCIPLINARY

ACTION AND ORDER

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between JAMES OVERLAND, JR., D.C. (hereinafter "Respondent"), and the Chiropractic Physicians Board of Nevada (herein after "Board") by and through its Investigating Member the Board, Margaret Colucci, D.C. (hereinafter "Investigating Member") and the Board's counsel Elizabeth J. Foley, Esq. as follows:

BACKGROUND

- 1) The Respondent is licensed as a doctor of Chiropractic in the State of Nevada under license number B-526.
- 2) Respondent JAMES OVERLAND JR., D.C. was previously found guilty of the following violations by the Board:
 - (1) NRS 634.018(15) and/or NRS 634.018(11), including NAC 634.415 and/or NAC 634.430(m), by permitting unlicensed personnel to perform patient services; (2) NRS 634.018(11), including NRS 634.125, and/or NAC 634.415 and/or NAC 634.119, by allowing the treatment of his patients while he was absent from his practice; (3) NRS 634.018(11), including NAC

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634.430(1)(e)(1), by billing patients for adjustments that were not actually provided; (4) NRS 634.018(11), including NAC 634.435(1), by failing to keep clear, complete and accurate patient records; (5) NRS 634.018(11), including NAC 634.430(1)(g), by providing falsified SOAP notes to the board's investigator; (6) NRS 634.018(11), including NAC 634.430(1)(g), by failing to provide employment records as requested by the board's investigator; (7) NRS 634.018(11), including NAC 634.430(1)(h), by failing to provide patient records upon request

- Respondent has practiced Chiropractic in the State of Nevada under the business names of Affiliated Chiropractic Center in Pahrump, Nevada and Advantage Chiropractic in Henderson, Nevada.
- On February 23, 2007, Respondent was issued a Board Complaint which alleged 4) as follows:
 - A) Dr. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR., had allowed unlicensed persons to treat patients in his Pahrump Office; and
 - B) DR. JAMES T. OVERLAND, JR. violated Chiropractic Statutes and Regulations governing patient record keeping; and
 - C) DR. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR., engaged in misrepresentation with respect to his chiropractic practice; and
 - D) DR. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR., obstructed the Board's lawful investigation and failed to comply with Board subpoenas; and

E) DR. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR. improperly waived deductibles and co-pays; and

DR. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR. filed an Answer to the Board's Complaint on or about April 19, 2007 in which he admitted that some patient SOAP Notes were not completely filled out at the time of service but denied the remaining allegations.

JURISDICTION

6) Respondent JAMES T. OVERLAND JR., D.C. was at the relevant times mentioned herein a licensed chiropractor (License Number B-526) and he acknowledges the Board has jurisdiction over him and the conduct addressed in the Complaint.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VOLUNTARY WAIVER OF RIGHTS

- 7) Respondent is aware of and fully understands, his right to have a hearing on the allegations set forth in the Complaint, his rights to reconsideration, appeal, and all other rights which may be accorded by the Nevada Administrative Procedure Act, the Nevada Chiropractic Act and accompanying regulations, and the federal and state constitutions. Respondent understands that he has the right to be represented by counsel in this matter at his own expense.
 - 8) Respondent hereby freely, voluntarily and intelligently, waives the rights enumerated above, and instead chooses to enter into this Agreed Settlement with the Board in accordance with NRS233B.121(5).
 - 9) In consideration of execution of this Agreed Settlement, Respondent for himself,

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his heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby release, remise, and forever discharges the state of Nevada, the Board, and each of their members, agents, and employees in their individual and representative capacities, from any and all manner of actions, causes of action, suits, debts, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever known and unknown, in law or equity, the Respondent ever had, now has, may have, or claim to have, or claim to have against any or all of the persons or entities named in this section, arising out of or by reason of the Board's investigation, this disciplinary action, and all other matters relating hereto.

Respondent hereby indemnifies and holds harmless the State of Nevada, the 10) Board, and each of their members, agents, and employees in their individual and representative capacities against any and all claims, suits, and actions brought against said person and/or entities by reason of the Board's investigation, this disciplinary action and all other matters relating thereto, and against any and all expenses, damages, and costs including court costs and attorney fees, which may be sustained by the persons and/or entities named in this section as a result of said claims, suits, and actions.

FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS OF AGREEMENT

Based upon the limited investigation to date and applying the administrative 11) burden of substantial evidence as set forth in State Employment Security vs. Hilton Hotels, 102 NEV 600, 608, 720, P.2d 49, 498 (1986); and Minton v. Board of Medical Examiner, 110 Nev. 1060 881 P.2d 1339 (1994) and NRS 233B.135 (3)(e) and NAC 634.650(2), but not for any other purpose, the Boards finds that this matter may be resolved on the following terms:

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A) Respondent admits to guilt as to the violation of NRS 634.018 (11) I
including NAC 634.435(1) by failure to keep clear, complete and accurate
patient records and NAC 634.430 (1)(h) by failing to provide patient
records upon request; and

- B) Respondent shall pay a fine to the Board in the amount of Ten
 Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be paid by August 12, 2007 and prior
 to reactivation of Respondents License Number B-526 and said amount
 shall be reported to the National Practitioners Data Bank; and
 C) Respondent shall pay the sum of [Forty Two Thousand and Six
 Dollars and Thirty Eight Cents (\$42,006.38)] to the Board for costs for
 investigative and attorneys fees incurred by the Board to date; and one
 half of this amount Twenty One Thousand and Three Dollars and
 Nineteen Cents, (\$21,0003.19) shall be paid to the Board on or before
 August 12, 2007 and the balance to be paid in the amount of \$1666.66
 monthly payments beginning September 12, 2007 and continuing until
 paid in full; and
 - D) Pursuant to NRS 634.190(2)(d) Respondent agrees to the suspension of his Chiropractic license for a period of one (1) year beginning August 12, 2007. Respondent shall not be present at the premises of Advantage Chiropractic in Henderson, Nevada during normal business hours during the one (1) year suspension period. Normal business hours are defined as Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m.

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until 1:00 p.m. If the costs and fines have not been paid in full at the end of the one year period ending August 12, 2008, the suspension will continue until the fine and costs are paid in full.

E) Respondent agrees to be placed on probation for a period of three (3) years beginning at the end of the suspension. During the three (3) year probationary period, Respondent shall allow a Board member and /or, the Compliance Officer, approved by the Board and/or its agent to enter and inspect at any time his chiropractic facility and review his patient records, including but not limited to new patient and patient contact information, releases, liens, examination, x-rays and x-ray reports, treatment records SOAP notes, superbills, sign-in sheets, narrative reports, billing and payment records, receipt books, appointment calendars, and any other records related to patient care, and all documents and records related to his employment of persons to perform any manner of treatment to his patients, including but not limited to employment applications, payroll records, registration applications, correspondence with the Board, training programs and certificates. Further upon request, Respondent must make available copies of any and all agreements with any and all third parties; and

F) Respondent agrees to take, and pass, the National Chiropractic Board Ethics and Boundaries Examination within one year of the adoption of this Agreement; and

G) Respondent agrees to take an additional twelve hours of continuing
education course on record-keeping within one year; and
H) Respondent agrees to reimburse the Board on a quarterly basis for the
costs of hiring a Board appointed Compliance Officer who will physically
meet and monitor his practice and file a written report quarterly on Dr.
DR. JAMES OVERLAND, JR.'s compliance with and adherence to
Nevada Statutes, Rules, and Regulations for a period of three (3) years
from the end of the suspension of Dr. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR's
license pursuant to Section 11(d) .; and
I) Respondent agrees to strictly adhere to Chapter 634 of the Nevada
Revised Statutes and the Nevada Administrative Code; and
J) Any violation of this Agreed Settlement of NRS or NAC Chapter 634
constitutes grounds for the Board to take appropriate disciplinary action
against Respondent; and
K) DR. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR., hereby confesses to Judgment and
agrees that any unpaid portion of the costs and fees shall be reduced to a
judgment for punitive damages upon default; and
L) DR. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR. will sign all further documents
necessary to effectuate this agreement including but not limited to a
Security Agreement; and
M) Dr. JAMES T. OVERLAND JR. will timely comply with all Board
investigations, records requests, and subpoenas; and

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N) The respondent shall be given an accounting of the costs assessed pursuant to Section 11(c) of this Agreement.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT BY BOARD

12) Respondent understands that the terms of this Agreed Settlement were presented to and were approved by the Board at the duly convened meeting on May 11, 2007.

EFFECT OF COMPLETE AGREEMENT

- 13) This Agreed Settlement of Disciplinary Action and Order consists of Nine (9) pages and embodies the entire Agreement reached between the Board and Respondent. It may not be altered, amended or modified without the express written consent of the parties.
- 14) The Board shall retain Jurisdiction in this case until all conditions have been met to the satisfaction of the Board.
- 15) If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the terms of this agreement, this matter may be brought back before the Board for further action on the Amended Complaint against Respondent on file herein.

DATED this 29 day of May, 2007.

APPROVED AS TO FORM & CONTENT

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ORDER

By a majority vote on May 11, 2007, Chiropractic Physicians' Board of
Nevada approved and adopted the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreed
Settlement of Disciplinary Action with JAMES T. OVERLAND, JR. D.C. Respondent.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 29 day of May, 2007.

STATE OF NEVADA CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIANS' BOARD OF NEVADA

STEPHANIE YOUNGBLOOD D.C.
President, Chiropractic Physicians' Board of Nevada